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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

> Serial No.: 10/373,661 Filed: February 26, 2003

Inventor(s): Masahior Matsumoto et al.

For: Torque Sensor and Motor-Driven Power Steering

Apparatus Using Thereof

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group: 2855

X Accompanying this order is a new specification and drawings that 1. does not contain any subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application.

Total pages of specification, claims and abstract 34

- <u>X</u> 2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of 16 sheet(s), depicting Figures 1-26.
- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
  - Newly executed (original or copy) a.
  - b. X Copy from prior application
    - i. Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
- X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

5. Small entity status: A small entity statement is enclosed a. b. \_A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on \_\_\_ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired. Is no longer claimed c. The filing fee is calculated below: <u>X</u> 6. CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT Basic Fee \$385 \$770

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- \_\_ 7. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #\_\_\_) in the amount of \$\_\_\_.
- $\underline{X}$  8. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- X 9. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 056203.52084C1).
- X 10. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/373,661, filed February 26, 2003.--
- <u>X</u> 11. Priority of Appln. No(s). <u>2002-216165</u>, filed in <u>Japan</u> on <u>July 25</u>, <u>2002</u>, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- X 12. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 10/373,661 on February 26, 2003.
- X 13. The prior application is assigned of record to <u>Hitachi, Ltd.</u>.

X 14. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- \_\_ b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- X d. Address all future correspondence to:

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- X 15. Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- \_\_ 16. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.
- X 17. Return Receipt Postcard.

## X 18. Application Data Sheet

Respectfully submitted,

February 12, 2004

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